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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Lisa Ann NEUHOLD and Loren KILLAR

For:

TRANSGENIC ANIMAL MODEL FOR DEGENERATIVE DISEASE OF

CARTILAGE

CONTINUING APPLICATION

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of a:

[X] Continuation

[] Divisional

application of the following pending prior application:

Serial No.

08/994,689

Filed:

12/19/97

Of:

NEUHOLD et al.

For:

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CARTILAGE

Examiner:

M. Wilson

Group:

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1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application as originally filed (along with a copy of the <u>original Declaration</u>). No amendments identified in the

declaration for this prior application introduced new matter. Please use this copy as the application and declaration for the present case.

2. The filing fee is calculated below:

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- 6. [X] The prior application is assigned to: <u>American Home Products</u> <u>Corporation</u>
- 7. [X] A Preliminary Amendment is also enclosed.

- 8. [X] Informal Drawings are filed herewith
- 9. [] A verified statement claiming small entity status (check one):
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- 10. [] Priority is claimed from

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- 11. The Assignment
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- 12. Sequence Listing

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 12.82(e), please use the computer readable form (CRF) of the "Sequence Lising" from parent application Serial No. 08/944,689, filed December 19, 1997, in this application. The paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" in this application is identical to CRF filed for the parent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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